



## St. Peter's Episcopal Church

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### Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 29, 2025

Holy Eucharist — 9:45 AM

**Welcome to St. Peter's. We are glad you are here!**

Our worship is influenced by some of the most ancient patterns of liturgy from the earliest centuries of the Church: Scripture reading, hymn singing, prayers, chanting, incense, and communion. We use the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and the 1982 Hymnal (Hymnal) which are both included in the pew, and this leaflet includes instructions and explanations to help guide your participation in today's liturgy.

If you have any questions, please ask one of our ushers or any of our members who will be glad to help.

Children are always welcome in worship, exactly as they are! There is a designated "pray-ground" about 2/3 of the way back to allow a space for younger children.

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#### Prelude

*Guide Me, God*

*G. Bohm*

At the sound of the bell, the congregation stands as able for the processional hymn:

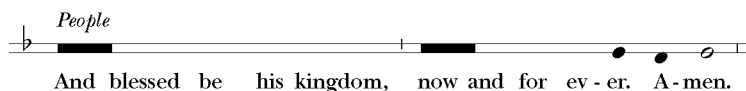
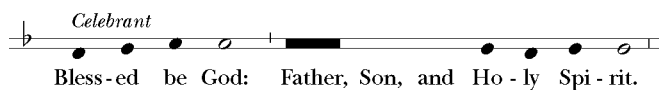
#### Opening Hymn

*The Church's one foundation*

Hymnal 525

(AURELIA)

The people standing, the Celebrant sings



The Celebrant then says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Celebrant then continues

## **Collect of the Day**

*(This is a prayer appointed for each day that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season in the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the readings for the day.)*

Celebrant    The Lord be with you.

People        ***And also with you***

Celebrant    Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **First Reading** *(please be seated)*

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

*(This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred.)*

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

After each reading, the Lector says “The Word of the Lord” and the People respond: **Thanks be to God.**

## The Psalm

(The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. You are welcome to either join in chanting this psalm or prayerfully listen.)

Psalm 77:1-2,11-20

*Voce mea ad Dominum*



- 1 I WILL cry aloud to *God*; \*  
I will cry aloud, and he *will* hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the *Lord*; \*  
my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;  
I refused to *be* com<sup>^</sup>fort-ed.
- 11 I will remember the works of the *Lord*, \*  
and call to mind your wonders *of* old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your *acts* \*  
and ponder *your* might<sup>^</sup>y deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is *ho*-ly; \*  
who is so great a god *as* our God?
- 14 You are the God who works *won*-ders \*  
and have declared your power among *the* peo-ples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your *peo*-ple, \*  
the children of Jacob *and* Jo-seph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and *trem*-bled; \*  
the very depths *were* shak-en.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies *thun*-dered; \*  
your arrows flashed *to* and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;  
your lightnings lit up the *world*; \*  
the earth *trem*-bled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great *wa*-ters, \*  
yet your foot-*steps* were<sup>^</sup>not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a *flock* \*  
by the hand of Moses *and* Aar-on.

## Second Reading

Galatians 5:1,13-25

*(This reading is taken from the New Testament, typically from a letter to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.)*

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

*After each reading, the Lector says "The Word of the Lord" and the People respond: **Thanks be to God.***

## The Holy Gospel

(The People stand as able for the "Gospel Alleluia" as we prepare our heart, mind, soul, and strength to hear the Gospel [literally "Good News"] of God, as revealed in the life, teaching, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.)

*Alleluia. **Alleluia.** O Lord my God, in thee have I put my trust:*

*save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me. **Alleluia.***

*All remain standing for the procession and proclamation of the Holy Gospel.*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

*At the end of the Gospel reading, the Deacon and people say the following responsory:*

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

## The Homily

The Reverend Derek H. Miller

*(The homily or sermon follows the Gospel because it is directly grounded in Holy Scripture. It illuminates the readings and helps us relate them to our daily life.)*

(The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” [I believe]. Creeds reflect basic Christian beliefs over time & around the world.)  
The people stand, facing the altar and saying

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

Form III

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

***That there may be justice and peace on earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from and grief or trouble;

***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest;

***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

### **Confession of Sin**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

***Most merciful God,***

***we confess that we have sinned against you***

***in thought, word, and deed,***

***by what we have done,***

***and by what we have left undone.***

***We have not loved you with our whole heart;***

***we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.***



*We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
 have mercy on us and forgive us;  
 that we may delight in your will,  
 and walk in your ways,  
 to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

The Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The ministers and people share the peace of Christ as a sign of reconciliation and with the hope of continuing this work in the world.

## Announcements

## Offertory

### Presentation Hymn

*I love thy kingdom, Lord*  
 (ST. THOMAS)

Hymnal 524

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

Hymnal S-120

(In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. This is essentially one long prayer with four parts. Each part corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread & wine as a sacrament of his Body and Blood. We begin this prayer with the "Sursum corda," Latin for "Lift up your hearts.")

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give God thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus & Benedictus

Hymnal S-114

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues the consecratory prayer telling of God's interaction with humanity throughout history, our need for redemption in Jesus Christ, and consecrates the bread and wine with the words Jesus used at the Last Supper. Full text is found in the BCP on page 367.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant*  
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,  
*Celebrant and People*  
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -  
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Celebrant continues until

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## Lord's Prayer

Hymnal S-119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-155

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Invitation to Communion

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **Communion**

*I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me:  
yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord Most Highest.*

### **Communion Hymn**

*Jerusalem, my happy home*  
(LAND OF REST)

Hymnal 620

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### **Blessing**

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

*Father we thank thee*  
(RENDEZ A DIEU)

Hymnal 302

### **Dismissal**

People:

***Thanks be to God!***

### **Postlude**

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

F. Slicher

## Parish Prayer List

**The Church:** Sean, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; Carrie, our Bishop; Derek, our Rector; Denise, our Deacon; Vestry and Officers: Bill Rodney (Senior Warden), John Francis (Junior Warden), Katie Shaw (Registrar), Doug Pryor (Treasurer), Alexa Fair, Katy DeHart, Sara Radcliffe, Kimberly Jones, Joshua Bombino, Mary Milano.

**Recent Needs:** Jamey Vaughn, Marilyn Hesson, Max Timoll, Evan Rusell, Glenn Pritchett, Parker Shaw.

*(Names remain on the Recent Needs Prayer List for 30 days unless notified otherwise.)*

**Ongoing Needs:** Judy Walizer, Sofia Feltkamp and Family, Colin Clark, Paul Bragaw, Mary Votta, Ann Carmody, Laura Confer, Cheryl Putnam, Fern Buchler, Ron Brueggeman, Ray & Rose Powell, Jennifer Foster, Brian & Rick Kneeland, John Jordan, Bob Williams, John McSweeney, Earl Markowicz, Sue & Steve Hartlaub.

*(Names remain on the Ongoing Needs Prayer List for 90 days unless notified otherwise.)*

**Homebound Members:** Irene & Walter Closson, Sylvia Ellison, Brenda Sabino.

**Repose of the Soul:** Ronnie Parham, Michelle Cutick, Paul Shaffer, Michelle Doran, Sue Herron Hawes, Ingrid Hastings.

*(Names remain on the Repose of the Soul Prayer List for 30 days unless notified otherwise.)*

*\*Would you like to add someone to the prayer list or have an announcement featured here? Please submit names/announcements to the church office by email: parish.admin@stpetersec.org BY SUNDAY NIGHT.\**

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday, July 6, 2025** *(Fourth Sunday after Pentecost)*

*9:45AM Eucharist*

*Coffee Hour to Follow in St. Joseph's Hall*

**Sunday, July 13, 2025** *(Fifth Sunday after Pentecost)*

*9:45AM Eucharist*

**Sunday, July 20, 2025** *(Sixth Sunday after Pentecost)*

*9:45AM Eucharist*

*Fr. Derek's Final Sunday*

**Sunday, July 27, 2025** *(Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)*

*9:45AM Eucharist*

## Parish Announcements

### OUTREACH MINISTRY

Our next meeting will be July 10 @ 7 pm, via Zoom. If you would like to join, ...

### ONGOING PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Pasta sauce, Chef Boyardee canned items, and cereal. Items may be placed in the basket at the rear of the nave.

Action Dates:

6/29 Little Pantry Monitor. - Katie Shaw

7/2 Little Pantry Monitor - Kate Oursler

7/4 Little Pantry Monitor - Kate Oursler

7/6 Little Pantry Monitor - Katie Shaw

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WE ENCOURAGE PATH MEMBERS TO ATTEND  
AND SHOW SOLIDARITY WITH OUR  
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**CONNECT WITH US:**

We would love to connect with you! Whether it is your first time here or you simply need to update your information, scan the QR code or fill out the connection card in the pew. We look forward to getting to know you!

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.*

SERVING THIS WEEK	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Pon, Kofo Coker
<b>Acolyte</b>	Stan Brown
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Wayne Kirwan
<b>Celebrant</b>	The Reverend Derek H. Miller
<b>Flag Guild</b>	Jeff Loveless
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Judi Mahaffey
<b>Intercessor</b>	Mary Milano
<b>Lector 1</b>	Jeff Loveless
<b>Lector 2</b>	Alexa Fair
<b>Livestream/AV</b>	Bill Rodney
<b>Preacher</b>	The Venerable Denise Schiavone
<b>Thurifer</b>	Stan Brown
<b>Tellers</b>	Jeff Loveless, Katie Shaw
<b>Usher</b>	Doug Pryor